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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the August 6, 2002, office action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In The Claims:

Please delete claims 3, 4, 18-21, 25-28, 32-35, 39-42, and 46-55.

Please add new claims 56-74 as follows:

56. (New) The isolated nucleic acid molecule according to claim 8, wherein the nucleic acid molecule is a plant nucleic acid molecule.

57. (New) An expression vector comprising a transcriptional and translational regulatory DNA molecule operably linked to a nucleic acid molecule according to claim 8.